

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute the following for the paragraph beginning at the end of page 7 and continuing onto page 8 of the Specification:

Upon receipt of a XML meta document, the generator program 28 performs a series of validation routines on the XML meta document to ensure that the data contained therein comports with the system requirements of the software development tool 10. If the system design data passes the validation routines, the generator program 28 creates a validated design database file ~~[[38]]~~ 38A of validated design database 38 and a system installation program 44, which, in a preferred embodiment, is then sent to the production user computer 22. The execution of the system installation program 44 generates a generated software application 40, components of which, in a preferred embodiment, span the production user computer 22, production application server 20 and production database server 18.